





RESPONSE AFTER FINAL EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1714

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Sir:

This paper if filed in response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2003, in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the below remarks.

<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1-14 are pending. Claims 1-14 are rejected. No amendments are made herein. No new matter is added. Claims 1-14 are submitted for further consideration in view of the below remarks. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of all rejections.